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TAGS: OVIP (CARAMANLIS, CONSTANTINE) GR, US
SUBJECT: CARAMANLIS VISIT TO THE U.S.

REF: STATE 56370

I HAVE SPOKEN TO MOLYVIATIS AND GIVEN HIM THE TEXT OF THE PROPOSED ANNOUNCEMENT OF CARAMANLIS' VISIT (REFTEL). HE SAID HE WOULD TRY AND GET THE PRIME MINISTER TO CLEAR IT TODAY, BUT HE WAS NOT OPTIMISTIC. MOLYVIATIS' INITIAL REACTION WAS THAT CARAMANLIS WOULD NOT HAVE ANY MAJOR PROBLEM WITH THE TEXT (WHICH ALSO LOOKS FINE TO ME) BUT WOULD NOT REPEAT NOT AGREE TO THE TIMING. HE SAID THAT CARAMANLIS HAS CONSISTENLY EXPRESSED A "STRONG" PREFERENCE FOR DEFERRING THE ANNOUNCEMENT UNTIL MUCH CLOSER TO THE DATE OF THE ACTUAL VISIT AS HE HAS DONE IN THE CASE OF ALL HIS OTHER FOREIGN VISITS. I STRESSED THE NEED TO MAKE THE ANNOUNCEMENT PROMPTLY AND MOLYVIATIS SAID HE WOULD GO OVER THE MATTER WITH CARAMANLIS AT THE FIRST OPPORTUNITY TODAY AND GET BACK TO ME AS SOON AS POSSIBLE. I WILL SEND A FURTHER MESSAGE AS SOON AS HE HAS DONE SO. KUBISCH

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